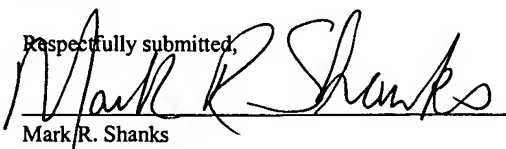


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International Application Number PCT/NO2004/000128		International Filing Date 5 May 2004		Priority Date Claimed 5 May 2003
Title of Invention METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING STRUCTURAL FEATURES OF AN ACOUSTIC MATERIAL				
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